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Shelby County Public Works to Recycle Holiday Greenery

Shelby County Government will again operate a recycling center throughout the holiday season for Christmas trees and other greenery.

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"The recycling initiative is part of Shelby County's "Sustainable Shelby" plan, which focuses on ways to conserve energy and protect natural resources. We want citizens to take advantage of this free service. It will help prevent many of these trees and other items from being dumped along the roadsides," said Tom Needham, Director of Shelby County Public Works.

Mulch made from the greenery will be available to citizens next spring and fall during Earth Day or America Recycles events. The initiative is funded by a litter removal grant from the State of Tennessee Department of Transportation.

For more information, contact Lisa Williams at the Shelby County Public Works Environmental Programs **(901) 222-7770**.

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